

We claim:

- 1 1. A proxy email computer installation including:
 - 2 (a) a database in computer memory associating a customer's
 - 3 identification, a customer's actual email address and a customer's proxy email address;
 - 4 (b) an email server to which the customer's proxy email address directs
 - 5 email;
 - 6 (c) programming to retrieve a customer's actual email address from the
 - 7 database upon receipt of email to that customer's proxy email address;
 - 8 (d) programming to copy the content of email to the customer's proxy
 - 9 email address into email to that customer's actual email address; and
 - 10 (e) a connection to a communications link forwarding email to customers'
 - 11 actual email addresses.